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Whitehall, March 17, 1778.

Copy of a Letter from General Sir William Howe to Lord George Germain, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, dated at Philadelphia, the 19th of January, 1778.

MY LORD,

THE present Appearance of the Weather encouraging me to hope the River will be sufficiently open in a few Days to admit of a Packet sailing, I have prepared my Dispatches to this Date, and shall send them off without waiting for the Receipt of those from your Lordship by the Lord Hyde Packet, which I am informed by Sir Henry Clinton arrived at New York on the 1st Instant, and were detained upon a Supposition that the Navigation of this River would not be open for a Ship of Force, and not thinking it advisable to trust them in the Packet, or in the armed Vessel bringing the Advice.

There has not any Thing more material happened since the Departure of Lord Cornwallis, who I requested to be the Bearer of my last Dispatches, than the Passing a considerable Detachment of the Army across the Schuylkill on the 22d of December, to take Post on the Heights of Derby, in order to cover the Collecting and Transporting by Water, as well as by Land, a large Quantity of Forage which that Country afforded. About 1000 Tons were brought in, a Quantity judged to be nearly sufficient for the Winter Consumption; and the Detachment returned on the 28th of December, without any further Attempts from the Enemy to retard the Progress of the Foragers, than from small Parties skulking, as is their Custom, to seize upon the stragling Soldiers:—One of these Parties, consisting of Two Officers and Thirty Men, were decoyed by Two Dragoons of the 17th Regiment into an Ambuscade, and made Prisoners.

On the 30th and 31st of December the Troops went into Winter Quarters in this Town, where they are well accommodated.

The Enemy's Army, excepting a Detachment of 1200 Men at Wilmington, is huddled in the Woods near Valley Forge upon the Schuylkill, Twenty-six Miles from hence, and in a very strong Position.

Colonel Harcourt, who will have the Honor of presenting these Dispatches, has my Leave to go to England upon his private Affairs, to whom I beg Leave to refer your Lordship for the fullest Information that may be required.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

W. HOWE.

St. James's, March 13.

The King has been pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on James Napier, Esq; Superintendent-general of all the Hospitals for the Forces in North America; and he had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand on the Occasion.

[Price Threepence-Halfpenny.]

Dublin Castle, March 6;

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant has been pleased to appoint the following Gentlemen to be High Sheriffs for the present Year:

County of Antrim, William Moore, of Killagan, Esq;

County of Armagh, Arthur Noble, of Grouse Lodge, Esq;

County of Cork, William Wrixon, of Ballygibbin, Esq;

County of Clare, Andrew Creagh, of Carnebane, Esq;

County of Carlow, John Brewster, of Copna, Esq;

County of Cavan, John Hassard, of Ennismore, Esq;

County of Dublin, James Ormsby, of Rathcool, Esq;

County of Down, Daniel Delacherois, of Donaghadee, Esq;

County of Donegal, Henry Irwine, of Ray, Esq;

County of Fermanagh, Hon. Arthur Cole, of Coolarkin.

County of Galway, James Galbraith, of Cappard, Esq;

County of Kilkenny, William Doyle, of Cloughelagh, Esq;

County of Kildare, Michael Keating, of Millicent, Esq;

County of Kerry, Robert Hickson, of Tralee, Esq;

King's County, Abraham Fuller, of Woodfield, Esq;

County of Longford, Freke Lennon, of Lisconnick, Esq;

County of Limerick, William Fitzgerald, of Ballinard, Esq;

County of Leitrim, Arthur Cooper, of Greenelish, Esq;

County of Louth, Thomas Lee, of Tullykeale, Esq;

County of Mayo, Sir John Browne, of the Neale, Bart.

County of Monaghan, Robert Montgomery, of Brandim, Esq;

County of Meath, Samuel Winter, of Oughter, Esq;

Queen's County, Thomas Pigott, of Knapton, Esq;

County of Roscommon, Mathew Lyfter, of New Park, Esq;

County of Sligo, James Gallagher, of Givagh, Esq;

County of Tipperary, William Armstrong, of Farney Bridge, Esq;

County of Tyrone, John Richardson, of Fairlough, Esq;

County of Waterford, Cornelius Bolton, of Ballycanvan, Esq;

County of Wicklow, William Parsons Hoey, of Hoey's Ville, Esq;

County of Wexford, Charles Dawson, of Charlesfort, Esq;

County of Westmeath, John Lyons, of Ladiston, Esq;



Hanover, March 3 Yesterday her Serene Highness the Princess of Mecklenbourg Strelitz was safely delivered of a Princess.

Hertfordshire Militia.

Notice is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Lieutenancy for this County will be held at the Angel Inn, at Hertford, on Wednesday the 25th Instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, for appointing a Time and Place for exercising the Militia this Year.

By Order of the Lieutenancy,
Ben. Rooke, Clerk.

Navy Office, February 28, 1778.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, that they will be ready to treat with such Persons as are willing to contract for the Stores under-mentioned, for His Majesty's Service, on the Days against the same expressed, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, that they may attend with their Proposals accordingly, viz.

Iron and East Country Tar, Friday March 20.
Dantzick and Stettin Plank, Monday March 23.
Hemp, - - - - - Wednesday April 1.

Victualling-Office, March 11, 1778.

THE Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Monday the 13th of April next they will be ready to receive Tenders in Writing (sealed up) and treat with such Persons as may be inclinable to undertake to furnish Sea Provisions to such of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels as may stand at Antigua, Barbadoes, and the Leeward Islands, and be in Want thereof.

The Conditions of the Contract may be seen at the Secretary's Office at this Office.

And all Persons who may think proper to make Tenders upon the said Occasion are desired to take Notice, that no regard will be had to any Tender that shall not be delivered to the Board before One o'Clock on the said 13th of April next; nor unless the Person who makes the Tender, or some Person on his Behalf, attends, to answer for him when called for.

Office of Ordnance, Tower, March 10, 1778.

THE Principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance do hereby give Notice, that on Friday the 20th Instant, at Twelve o'Clock, they will be ready, at their Office in St. Margaret's street, Westminster, to receive Proposals from all Persons who may be desirous of supplying a large Quantity of good and sound Bricks, of the Statute Measure; the same to be delivered at the New Works on His Majesty's Fortifications at Portsmouth. The Proposals are expected to specify the Price per Thousand, delivered as aforesaid; and the Numbers which the several Persons will engage to deliver on the 1st of June, the 1st of July, and the 1st of August, next.

London, March 6, 1778.

Dove Gang Derbyshire Lead Mines.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Dividend upon the Shares of the said Partnership will be made and payable upon Friday the 2d of April, pursuant to the Resolution of a General Court held the 2d Day of January last; and the same will be paid at the Virginia Coffee-house in Ball-Court, Cornhill, upon that Day, and the first Friday in every Month following, between the Hours of Ten and Twelve in the Forenoon. Names of the Proprietors of the above Partnership, to whom any old Arrears of Dividends are owing, their Representatives not having applied for the same, viz.

Mr. Daniel Wigfall. Mr. James Marriott.
Mr. John Perry. Mr. Richard Haynes.
Mr. Samuel Percival. Mr. Thomas Shaw.

Custom-House, London, March 10, 1778.

FOR SALE.

BY Order of the Honourable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, &c. (in Pursuance of an Act of Parliament of the Third Year of His present Majesty) on Tuesday the 17th and Wednesday the 18th, and in the following Week on Monday the 23d, Tuesday the 24th, and Thursday the 26th of March, 1778, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon of the said Days, will be put up to Sale in the Long-Room in the Custom-House, London, the following Goods, which are allotted in small Quantities, for the better Accommodation of the several Dealers, as well as private Persons, who chuse to become Purchasers.

For Exportation.

East India Prohibited Goods, Cambrick, Silk, Flowered Velvet, Boies and Thread Bone Lace, Muslin stitched with Thread, and Leather Gloves.

For Home Consumption.

Muslin, Muslin Neckcloths and Handkerchiefs, Callico, Linen, Nankeen Cloth, Shawls, Cape, Raw and Sewing Silk, Silk Stockings, Snuff Boxes, Lacquered Ware, Cane Joints, Pearl Beads, Fish and Counters, Bamboo Fans, Filligree Boxes, Watch Chains, Ostrich Feathers, Ermine Skins, Human Hair, Perfumed Oil, Pomatum, and Hair Powder, Scabbards for Swords, Chocolate and Cocoa Nuts to pay the Inland Duty, Gold and Silver Wearing Apparel to be burnt, Engraved Copper Plates, Picture Frames, Hams, Purple and King's Wood, Glass Plates plain and coloured, Castor Oil, Genlang, China Ware, Wine in Casks and Barrels, British Spirits, Sugar and other Grocery, Succades, Preserved Apricots, Drugs, Russia Tongues, Glass, Leather Harness, Kid Skins, Arrangoes, Quern Stones, Deals, Boats, Two Vessels, with their Tackle, Apparel, and Furniture, Tobacco Pipes, and sundry other Sorts of Goods, as mentioned in the Catalogues.

Clear of all Duties.

East India Prohibited Goods, Cambricks, Chocolate, and Cocoa Nuts, excepted.

The Prohibited Goods, Muslin, &c. to be viewed at the King's Warehouse, Custom-House, London, on Friday the 13th, Saturday the 14th, and Monday the 16th, of March, 1778, from Nine to One in the Forenoon, and in the Mornings before the Sale. The Deals, Boats Vessel, and Tobacco Pipes, to be viewed at the Tobacco Ground near the Wet Dock, Rotherhithe; and the China Ware, Wine, &c. at the King's Warehouse aforesaid, on Thursday the 19th, Friday the 20th, and Saturday the 21st of March, 1778, from Nine to One in the Forenoon, and in the Mornings before the Sale; where Catalogues will be delivered.

Custom-House, London.

FOR SALE.

BY Order of the Honourable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in the Long Room at the Custom-House, on Thursday the 19th of March instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of 5, 6, and 8 Hds. each.

SUGAR.

Hh.	T.	B.	
4	13	0	St. Kitts.
9	0	0	Tortola.
60	0	0	Tobago.

125 Bales of Cotton, in Lots of 6 Bales each. Samples to be seen in Wycheley's-yard, opposite Bide Key, Tuesday the 17th, Wednesday the 18th, and Thursday the 19th Instant.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majesty's Ship Milford, St. William Chuloner Barnaby, Bart. Commander, who were actually

Board at the Taking of the *Tepanabore*, a Prize to said Ship, off Mount Desert in the Bay of Fundy, on or about the Month of August last, and condemned in the Vice Admiralty Court at Halifax, that they will be paid their respective Shares of the said Prize, on Board the *Milford* at Plymouth, on Monday the 30th of March instant; and the Shares not then demanded will be recalled at the House of Mess. Marsh and Creed, Savage Garden, London, the First Thursday in every Month for Three Years to come.

J. White and Alex. Thomson, Agents for the Captors, at Halifax.

Notice is hereby given, to the Officers and Company of His Majesty's Ship *Mars*, the Honourable Captain George Falconar Commander, who were actually on Board at Taking the American Prize *Charming Betsy*, on the 10th of October last, that they will be paid their respective Shares of the said Capture, on Board His Majesty's Ship *Europe*, on Monday the 18th Instant; and, immediately upon the Arrival of His Majesty's Ship *Grafton* from her present Cruise, a Second Payment will be made; after which the Shares remaining unpaid will be recalled at the House of Mr. Edward Ommanney, in America-square, London, the Second Thursday in every Month for Three Years to come.

Edward Ommanney, Agent to the Captors.

Merchants Seamen's Office, Royal Exchange, March 16, 1778.

A Quarterly General Court of the President and Governors for Relief of Sick, Maimed, and Disabled Seamen, and of the Widows and Children of such as shall be killed, slain, or drowned, in the Merchant Service, will be held at this Office on Wednesday the 1st of April next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

By Order of the President and Committee,
William Oddy, Secretary.

Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich, February 3, 1778.

THE Commissioners and Governors of this Hospital do hereby give Notice, That on Wednesday the 5th Day of August next, or as soon after as may be, will be let on Leases, to commence upon the 12th Day of May, 1779, All those several Farms of Land, Tythes, Collieries, Corn-Mills, Lime-Kilns, and other Estates within the several Baronies, Manors, Lordships, Townships, Hamlets or Villages hereafter-mentioned, viz. Duffen, Thornbrough, Corbridge, Newton Hall, Whittle, Newlands, Whistonhall, Woolley, Hexhamshire, Heckford, Langbope, Coastley, Higbwood, Westwood, Barony of Langley, Barony of Wark, Buteland, Whitlees and Lee-houses, Kirkwhelpington, Hartburn, Hartburn-Grange, Needles Hall, Meldon, Midford, Lartottle, Middleton Hall, Spindleston and Glorum, Outchester and Chester Hill in the County of Northumberland, Scremerston and Tuedmouth in the County Palatine of Durham, and Alston Moor, and Casterigg and Darwentwater, in the County of Cumberland or elsewhere; being Parts of the Derwentwater Estate held by Leases, or other Agreements, which expire the 12th of May, 1779; and that all Persons willing to take any of the said Farms of Land, Tythes, Collieries, Corn Mills, Lime-Kilns, or other Estates, may give in their Proposals in Writing to Mr. Ibbetson, at the Admiralty-Office, London, at any Time before the Day above-mentioned, and, on that Day, between the Hours of Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon and One o'Clock in the Afternoon, at Salter's-Hall, London; and in the mean Time be informed of further Particulars by applying to Mess. Walton and Turner, Receivers for the said Hospital, or to the Bailiffs of the respective Districts.

N. B. Dilsen, Thornbrough, and Corbridge Farms

will be let on Lease for Six Years; Newlands and Whistonhall, Woolley, Hexhamshire, Heckford, Langbope, Coastley, Higbwood and Westwood Farms, for Nine Years; Harfonsdale, Sillywray, Plant-y-Pasture, Vauce and Loaning Feet, the Lough, Middle Dean Raw, East Dean Raw, the Lees, Tedcastle, Lund Ends West Farm, and Fourstones Farms; (Part of the Barony of Langley) for Six Years; Low Close, and Scraiber Close, Peelwell and Whithill, Tentment, and Water Walks Close, Part of Lipwoodwell Farm, (also Part of Langley Barony) for Three Years; the other Farms in the Barony of Langley, for Twelve Years; Ellrington and Woodhall Farms, and Woodhall Mill, and Ground, (in the Barony of Wark) for Six Years; Buteland, for Six Years; Whitlees and Lee-houses, Hartburn Grange, Needles Hall, and Meldon, for Nine Years; and the remaining Farms, &c. will be let on Lease for Twenty one Years or under.

All Grounds inclosed or marked off for the Growing of Wood or Underwood, (for which Purpose several Parcels have been lately assigned) and also all such as have been fenced off on Account or for the Use of Langley Lead Mill, will be excepted and reserved, and no Allowance will be made for Damage by the said Mill.

The several Tenants are to reside on their respective Farms, unless permitted to do otherwise by the said Commissioners and Governors; and no more than one Farm, as now laid out, will be let to the same Tenant.

John Ibbetson.

This Day is published,

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March 11, 1778.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Copartnership between Thomas Ferdinand Bayin, and Benjamin Niblett, of Knightbridge in the County of Middlesex. Seedsmen, has been dissolved by mutual Consent. All Persons having Demands on the said Copartnership are desired to send an Account thereof to the said Benjamin Niblett, who is empowered to receive the Debts due to the said Copartnership.

Tho. Ferd. Bayin.

Benjamin Niblett.

Pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors (if any) of Barns Frederick Haase, late of the Parish of St. Bennett, Paul's Wharf, in the City of London, Sugar-refiner, deceased, are to come in and prove their Debts before John Eames, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Symond's inn, in Chancery-lane, London, on or before the 20 Day of April next, or in Default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded the Benefit of the said Decree.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against William Cunningham, of Lambeth in the County of Surry, Carpenter, Builder, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 24th of March instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon precisely, at the Chancery Coffee-house in Chancery-lane, London; in order to assist to or dissent from the said Assignees commanding, prosecuting or defending any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; and also to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise settling any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against William Flower, late of Sunderland by the Sea in the County of Durham,